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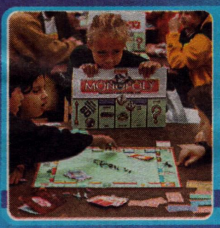

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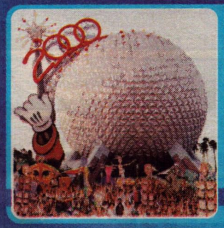

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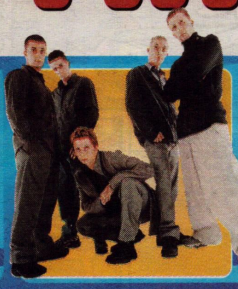

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SCOOBY-DOO! in FLYING SAUCER FACE-OFF!

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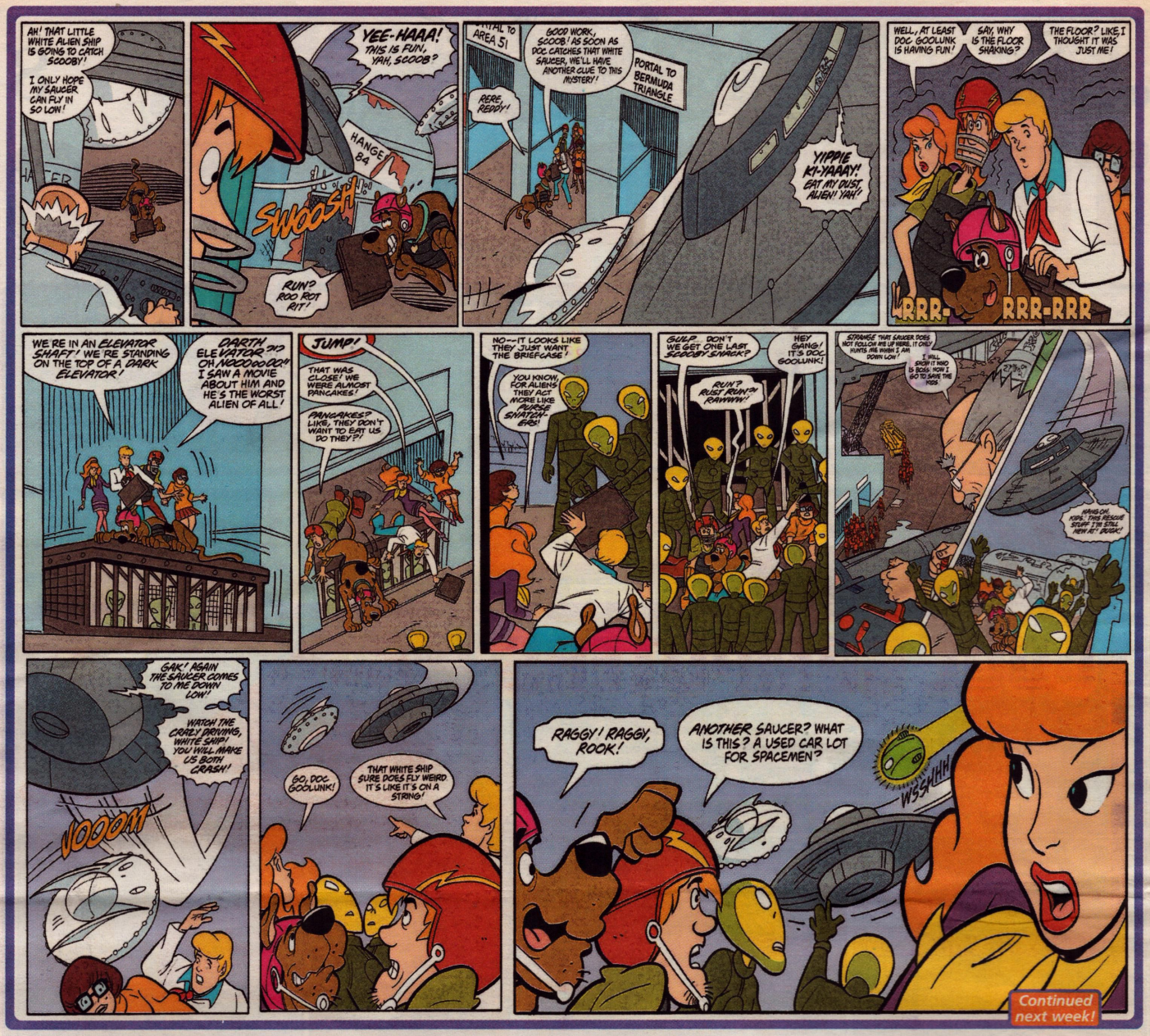

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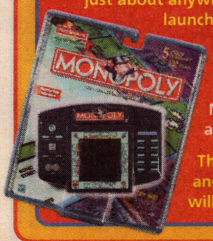
IT'S ELECTRIFYING!

Games lovers can now get to grips with some classic favourites in the car, on the bus, at the beach, or just about anywhere, with the launch of these fab hand-held electronic games from Hasbro!



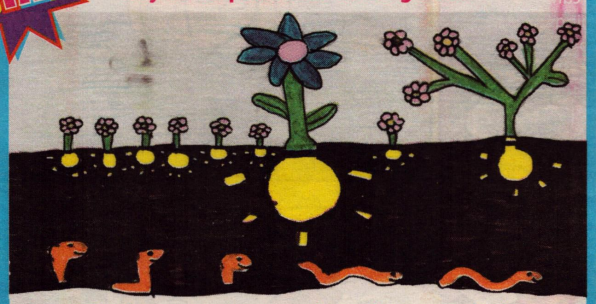
There are fast-moving, fun-packed new versions of Monopoly, Trivial Pursuit, Mr Potato Head, Connect 4, Yahtzee and Battleship.

The star entry will get both Monopoly and Trivial Pursuit, while four runners-up will each a get a Mr Potato Head.

STAR

Caroline Frost, 12, Northampton

Why do we plant bulbs in the garden?



So the worms can see where they are going!

Sunset

A September evening
The sky is red-orange like
a tomato
A big ball of fire in the sky
An artist has been painting
for ages and ages
It's a masterpiece
But soon it will have to go
We need sleep
So go sun, set slowly slowly
Go
But remember to come
tomorrow
It's night now
It's dark and quiet

Enlli Casey, 9, Gwynedd

There are aliens everywhere trying to stop Dr Goolunk and the gang!

FUN Competitions!

COMPETITION ADDRESS Send answers to all competitions to us at: The Funday Times, PO Box 5073, Leighton Buzzard LU7 7GX. Competition deadline: November 24
You can e-mail your competition answers to: funday.competitions@sunday-times.co.uk

SPYRO IS BACK!

Spyro the popular dragon is back – but this time he's in a lot more trouble! Yes it's Spyro 2 Gateway To Glimmer, the sequel to the top-selling original, released exclusively for the PlayStation by Sony Computer Entertainment Europe.

Embark on an entirely new journey through more than 29 completely different worlds, each with its own theme.

Spyro, the mischievous dragon, is older and wiser. Having rescued the dragon families and collected the stolen treasures, he's ready for a vacation – or so he thinks. The older dragons treat him to a holiday at Dragon Shores, but on his way through he's transported to an enemy universe, where the evil Ripto is brewing a dangerous plan.

To celebrate the launch, 10 winners will each get a PlayStation console and a copy of the game. Plus 10 runners-up will each receive a copy of the game.

To enter, draw a picture of Spyro with a bag of gems!

Mark your answer DRAGON and send your name, age and address to the competition address, above

COOL COMPUTERS

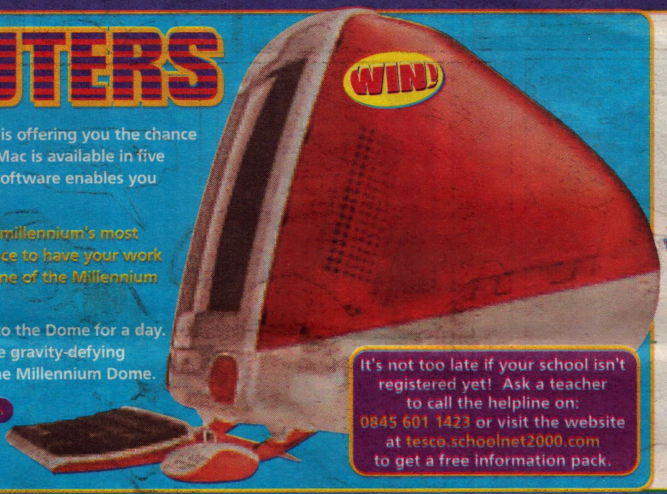
Tesco SchoolNet 2000, the world's largest school Internet website, is offering you the chance to own a brand-new Apple iMac Digital Video computer. This fab iMac is available in five colours; blueberry, grape, lime, strawberry and tangerine. iMovie software enables you to create your very own professional home movies!

More than 110,000 pupils are now registered with Tesco 2000, the millennium's most exciting educational project. If you're involved – you have the chance to have your work put onto the website! Plus it could be displayed in the Learning Zone of the Millennium Dome from January 2000.

One winner will win an Apple iMac DV, along with a family ticket to the Dome for a day. Prepare to be challenged and thrilled by 14 fab zones as well as the gravity-defying Millennium Show. Ten runners-up will each get a family ticket to the Millennium Dome.

To enter, tell us where in London you'd find the Millennium Dome.

Mark your answer TESCO and send your name, age and address to the competition address, above



It's not too late if your school isn't registered yet! Ask a teacher to call the helpline on: 0845 601 1423 or visit the website at tesco.schoolnet2000.com to get a free information pack.

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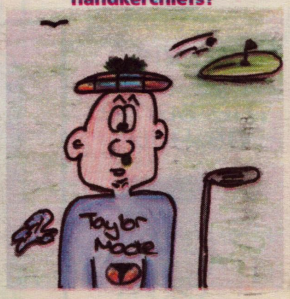
Dear f-mail,
I am writing to tell you about my pet budgerigar, his name is Buzz. I have had him for nearly a year now and he can already say his name and several other things. At the moment I am teaching him to whistle tunes and sing songs – he is a very fast learner. Every day, between 8am and 10pm, I let Buzz fly around my bedroom. He occupies himself during the day, while I'm at school, by canoodling with a plastic budgie that bobs up and down on a spring, or he will spend time flying from his cage to the light shade and back again. He has also taught himself to open his cage door, so at night I have to put a padlock on the cage to stop him from escaping. Buzz is very clever!
Myles Prince, 13, Bromsgrove

Jonathan Williams, 13, Telford

Why do golfers carry handkerchiefs?



In case they get a bogey.

Dear f-mail,
I was recently part of an exchange between my school and a school in France. A French boy came to stay with me and my family. At first it was difficult to make conversation but as the week progressed, it became easier. We travelled all over Nottinghamshire during the week and the French students experienced a taste of English culture. The week ended with a farewell barn dance, which was great fun. When they left everyone was very sad but we are looking forward to visiting them in June 2000.
Sam Shepherd, 13, Retford

How can you help a starving cannibal?
Give him a hand.
Bradley Macro, 9, Dagenham

Asterix and Son

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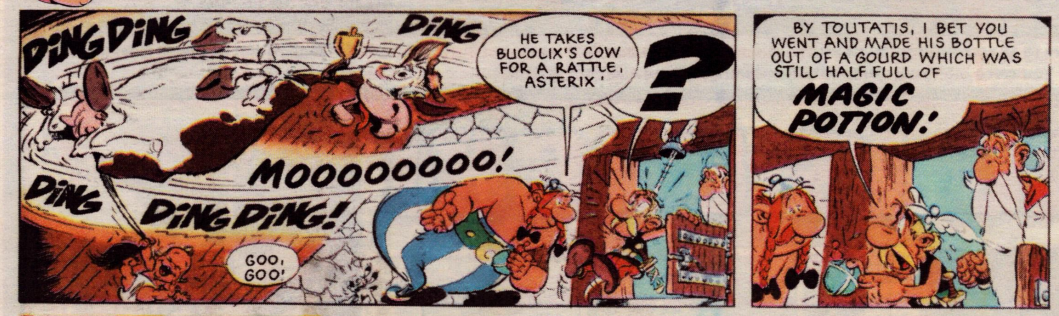
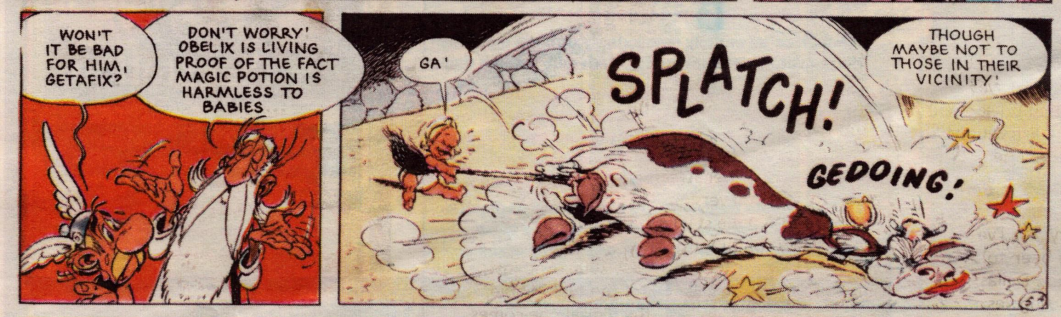
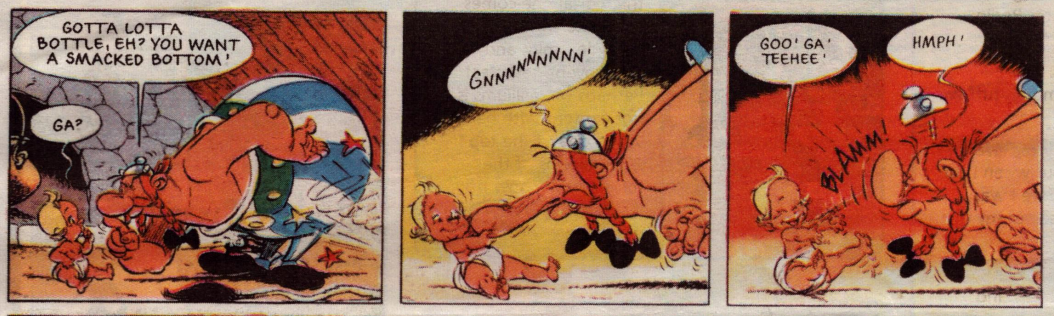
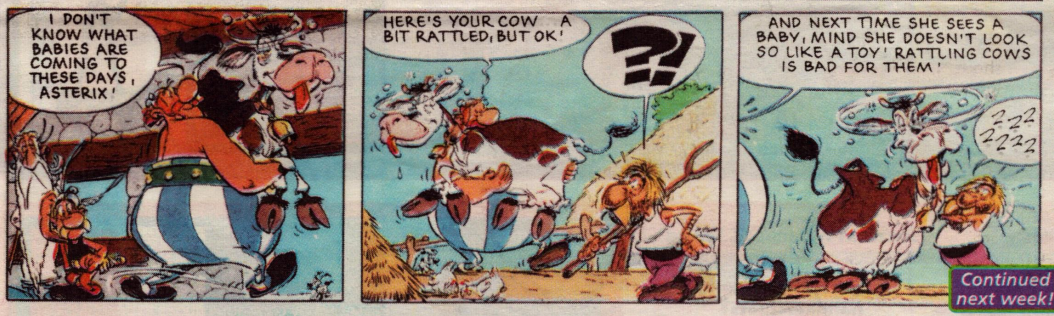








Continued next week!

2000+ Your view of the future

Dear 2000+
I have written a poem about animals that get tested on. I want it to stop in the new millennium.

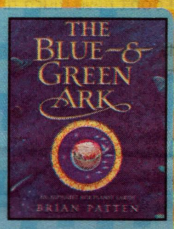
They're only little creatures,
Tested day by day.
Scientists do it for fun,
And also for the pay.

They sit alone in a lab,
Waiting to get tested on.
The needles are coming out again ...
And they're all nearly gone.

Why can't people leave animals alone?
They never harmed us,
So why should we hurt them?
Please leave the animals alone!
Puneeta Sharma, 13, Hayes

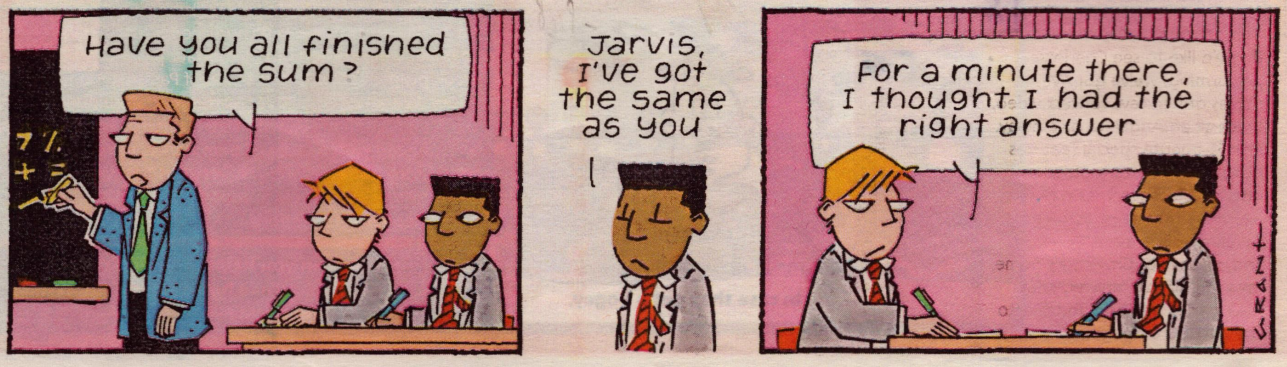
Dear 2000+
I hope that in the future someone will make a bike that does not get punctures.
Victoria Ellis, 8, Grange-over-Sands

Send your poems, stories, drawings and letters to The Funday Times 2000+, PO Box 495, London E1 9XW



If your entry appears in 2000+ you'll receive this beautiful book, The Blue & Green Ark by Brian Patten, from Scholastic Books (£12.99). It's a poem that follows the path of evolution from A to Z and a celebration of life and our habitat – planet Earth.

Jarvis



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NEWS

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Chatting with Charlotte

Welsh soprano Charlotte Church has become a big star all around the world. Her debut album was a smash hit and Charlotte has even earned herself a place in the Guinness Book of Records! We caught up with her last week to talk about her fame.

How has your life changed since the first album was released?
Humungously, and it still changes every day. I've lost count of the number of places I've been to. I know I've been to New York, Las Vegas, Dallas, Minneapolis, Detroit, Washington, Los Angeles, Tokyo, London, Leeds, Cardiff, Hamburg, Berlin, Paris and Amsterdam!

Have you moved house?
Yes we moved, because we've got so much stuff we couldn't fit it in the old one.

Do you still get to hang out with your old friends?
I don't have much time to see them, but when I do we go mad. And it's just like it was before I was famous. They don't ask me questions about my singing at all.

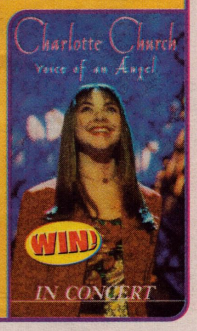
What were the American MTV awards like?
They were really fun. Everybody was lovely and I got to meet Will Smith.

What was the best thing about America?
Getting loads of free clothes. I love my new shoes and my three-quarter-length blue leather trousers.

Now that you're famous, do the people you meet have preconceived ideas about you?
Yes! People think that because I'm a child star I must be a precocious diva. But when they meet me they're really surprised. They say "You're actually really sweet". In LA they used the word "adorable" all the time. But in New York they called me "awesome!"

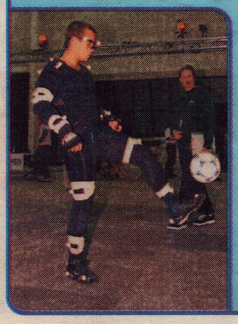
The new album, Charlotte Church, is released tomorrow.

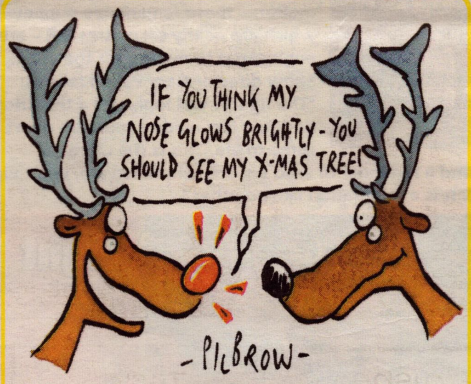
If you'd like to see Charlotte performing, we've got five copies of her new concert video, Voice of an Angel, to give away. The 50-minute special features behind-the-scenes footage at Charlotte's concert, as well as exclusive interviews with her family and friends.
To enter, tell us Charlotte's home town. Send you answer, with your name, age and address, to the address on page 3.



He's the one!

Move over Michael Owen! Robbie Williams is suddenly the hottest soccer star on our screens – computer screens that is! A digital version of popster Robbie stars in the new computer game FIFA 2000. And just like the real Robbie, the digital one comes complete with attitude, smirk and flamboyant gestures! Perhaps Mr Williams is not content with being voted one of the top 20 musicians of the millennium – now he wants to be Footballer of the Year too!



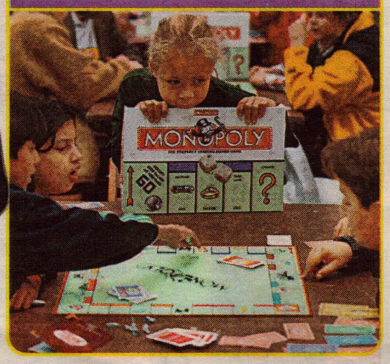


Tree-mendous

Forget fairy lights – a Christmas tree that glows all by itself could be the next big thing! Five enlightened students from Hertfordshire have come up with the bright idea of infecting pine tree seedlings with harmless, luminous bacteria. The result? A Christmas tree that glows all the time! Although you'll still have to vacuum the needles up when they drop off, at least you'll be able to spot them easily under the settee!

Board silly

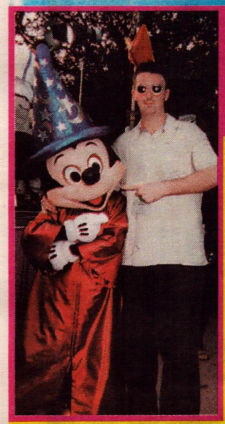
Fans of board games gathered for the Get Together Games Festival in East London last week! Players advanced to Go for a game of Monopoly, screamed blue murder for a crack at Cluedo and even pitted their wits in the odd bout of Trivial Pursuit. But the highlight of the day was when 100 people took part in a giant, very confusing game of Twister. We hope nobody was left stuck in the middle!



Now you can have a say

If you've ever wondered how parliament works or would like to get involved yourself, there's an exciting new website where you can do just that. The interactive site, www.explore.parliament.uk, has been set up by communications expert RM and the Parliamentary Education Unit to help young people understand the British democratic process. From November 19, an Act of Parliament on-line debating chamber will be launched and all UK schools can take part. It will be an exciting chance for classes to follow the process of legislation – from the Green Paper stage through to a final vote. Schools can even propose their own private member's bills and classes from around the country can then debate them. Your teacher will need to register for you but, as well as being lots of fun, the debate supports the citizenship section of the National Curriculum.

Party of the yea

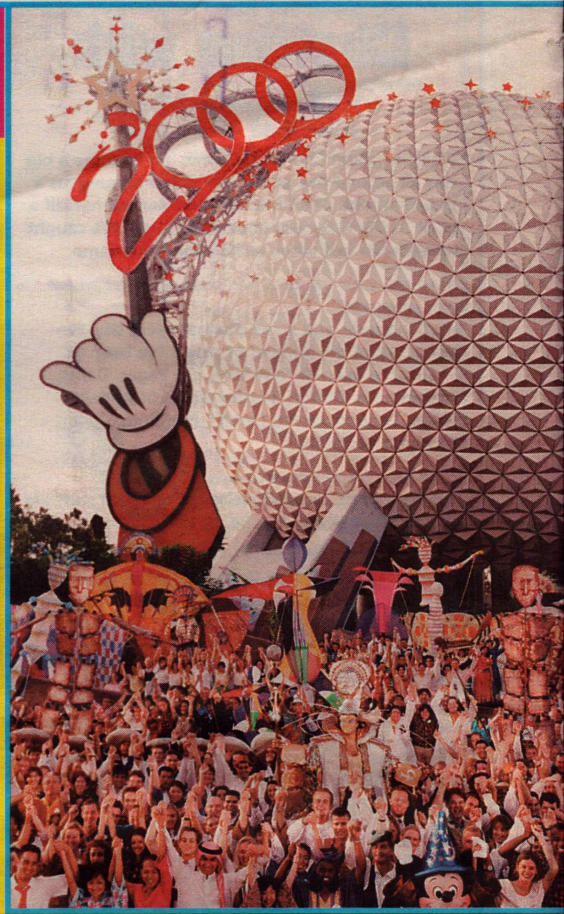


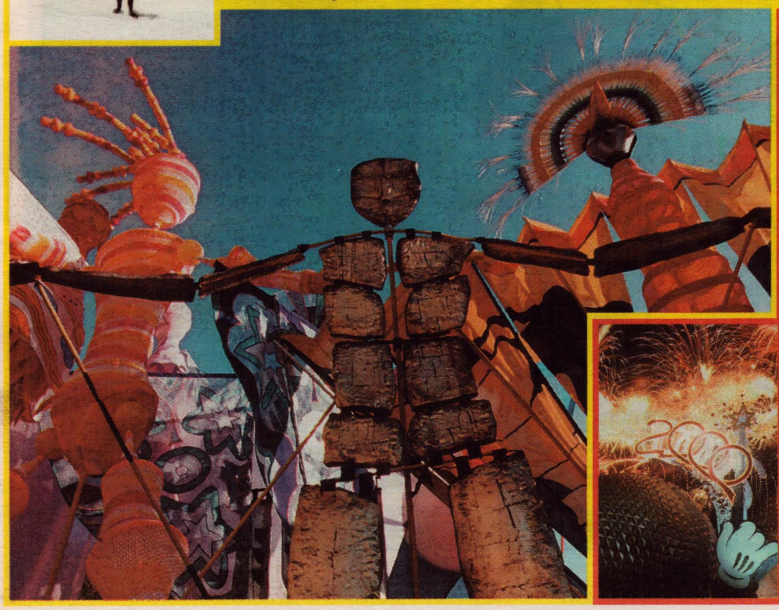
Walt Disney World's specular millennium celebrations kicked off last month. The non-stop party means that every day will be like new year's day – for the next 14 months. Mark Stretton went to Florida to sample the festivities!

Join the parade

The Tapestry of Nations is an amazing parade of spectacular puppets and huge drum floats and is the kaleidoscopic centrepiece of Walt Disney World's millennium celebrations. The parade is held twice every night, around a massive lagoon and features 208 puppeteers, dancers and musicians from all around the world.

In a fun-filled display of colour and motion – these remarkable puppets, which are nearly six metres tall – are engineered to move with the wind. Show director Gary Paben tells us: "The figures will look as if a theatrical designer has made a museum of art come to life. This is the ultimate odyssey of imagination, and a reminder of who we are, where we are, what we are and why we are here. It is a celebration like no other."





Light fantastic

The grand finale to every evening is an extravaganza of fireworks, lasers, lights, water fountains, fire and music called IllumiNations 2000: Reflections of Earth. The mind-boggling spectacular tells the story of the dawn of the third millennium.

"We're presenting the entire history of our planet, from the beginning of time to the present, and looking into the future," says Don Dorsey, show director of IllumiNations.

One highlight of the show is a giant spinning globe that floats across a colossal lagoon. The three-storey-high globe is a spherical video screen that displays stunning images of nature and the human race.

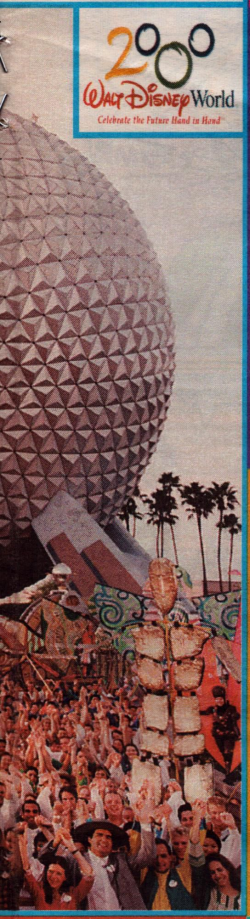
At the show's climax, lasers shoot into the sky, flames leap across the surface of the lagoon and the video globe opens like a flower to reveal a dramatic flaming torch that lifts 12 metres into the air!

A fountain barge pumps nearly 2000 litres of water every minute!

Dramatic backing

The music used for the Tapestry of Nations parade and IllumiNations 2000 was written by British composer Gavin Greenaway and Hans Zimmer, the Oscar-winning composer for The Lion King.

The music was recorded by members of the London Symphony and Royal Philharmonic orchestras at London's famous Abbey Road Studios. The music starts as a whisper and builds to a roar – giving the celebration a stunning backdrop of sound.



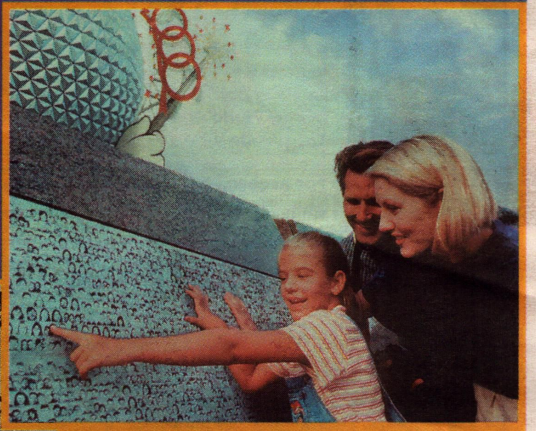
World village

A special World Showcase pavilion has been erected for the celebration. The giant pavilion houses a Millennium Village, where visitors can sample culture, sights and sounds from around the world.

You can travel through a rainforest in Brazil, experience the four seasons of Sweden or embark on a journey of faith in Jerusalem.

Visitors to the bustling Village Market can sample crafts from countries such as Egypt, Korea, Peru, Thailand and Venezuela. You can even step back in time in the ancient East African nation of Eritrea, where you are invited to an Eritrean coffee ceremony!

"There are no walls separating the nations of the world within Millennium Village, so that guests can travel from one country to another," says project manager Brad Much. "We are honouring the past, celebrating the present and designing the future."

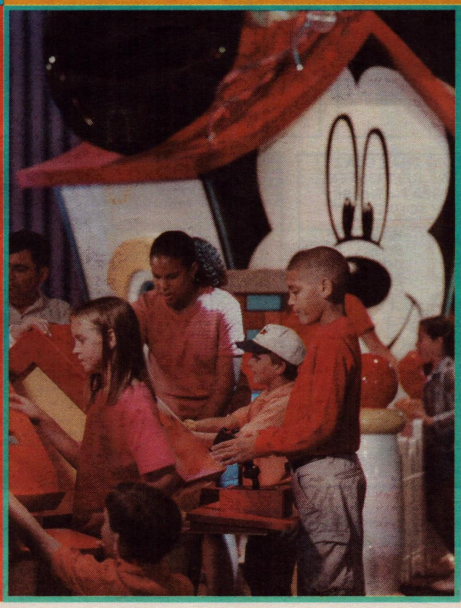


Make your mark

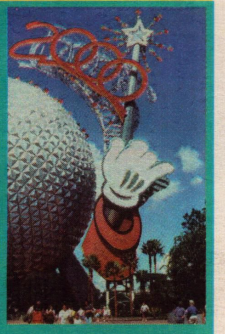
If you do get to visit Walt Disney World during the millennium celebrations, you can even leave your own mark by placing a photo of yourself at the foot of Spaceship Earth – the resort's giant, spherical structure. The image from each photograph is etched onto a metallic tile and then mounted on a granite monolith. Because they're metal, the images will last for thousands of years – and might even be discovered by intergalactic visitors in the future!

IllumiNations 2000 uses 67 computers in 40 locations

Each show uses 2,800 fireworks from China, Italy, Japan and America



Visions of the future



There's a feast of science and technology on show at the resort's Innoventions centre. You can discover and learn all about the latest advances in medicine, communications and forestry protection. As well as revealing some amazing new inventions and fascinating facts – the display is an encouraging look at the future of our world.

In Medicine's New Vision, x-rays become spectacular 3D images! Magnetic Resonance Imaging Computer Tomography (a CAT scan) and nuclear Positron Emission Technology (PET) are used to present amazing three-dimensional pictures. In future these will be used for diagnosing medical conditions and safely guiding surgical procedures.

At the Communications Dream Forum the world's largest high-definition TV screen displays loads of cool gadgets. You can check out hand-held, wireless video phones, two-way wrist radios and wireless voice-recognition automation devices for the home – that let you close the curtains just by speaking to them!

You can visit a field research outpost at Forests For Our Future. Here you are able to learn how the pulp and paper industry uses the satellite-imaging technology to manage forests in a greener, eco-friendly way.

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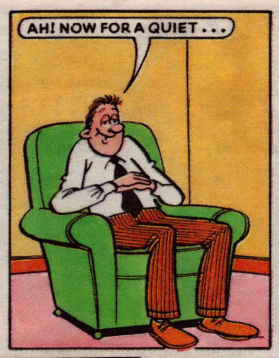
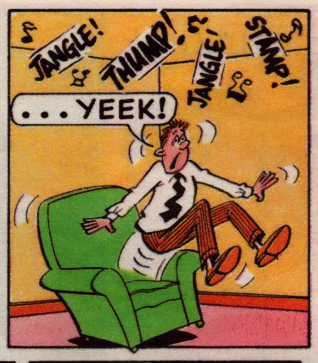
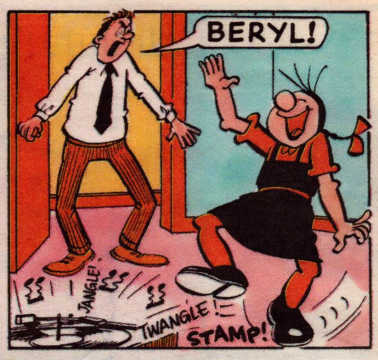
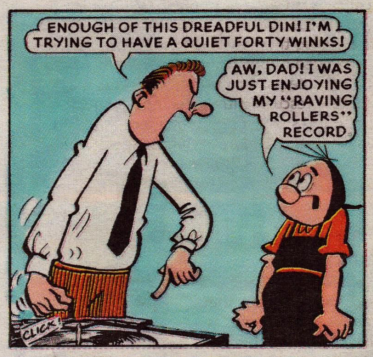
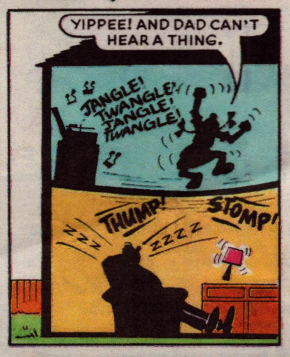
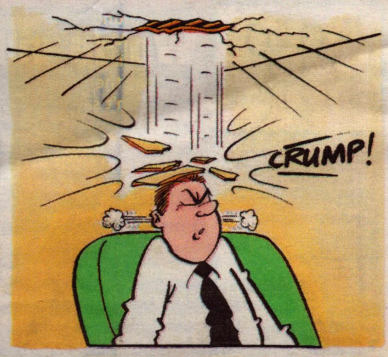


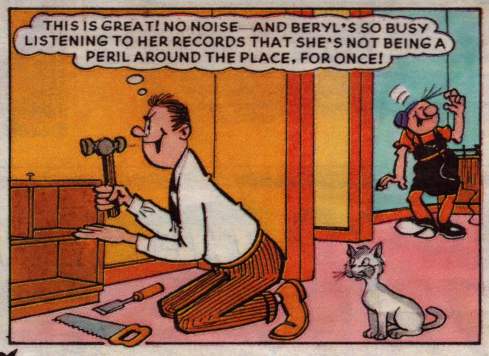


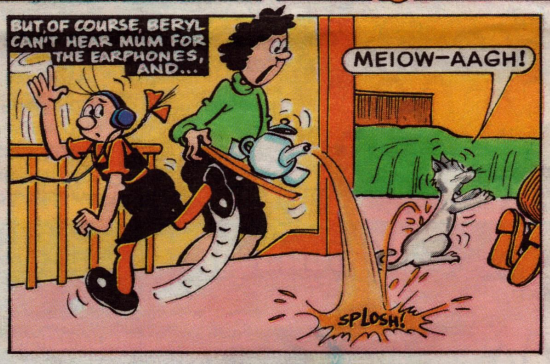


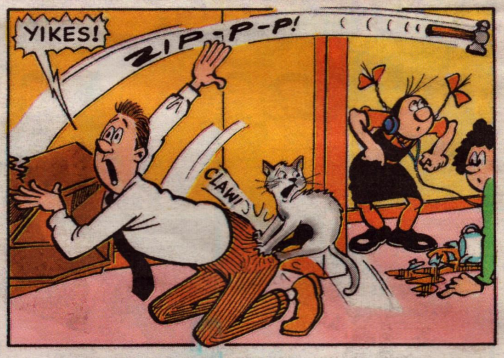


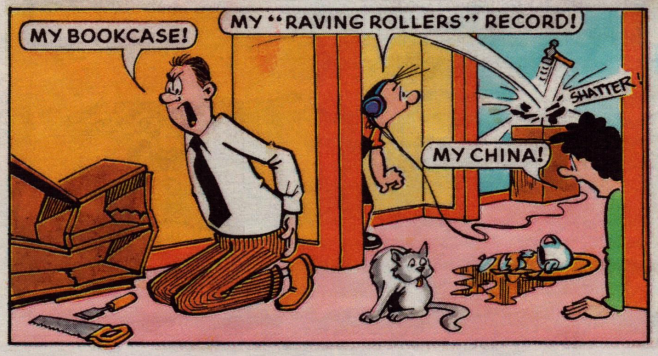


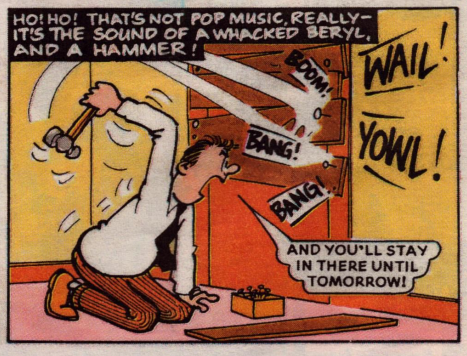












Beryl's out and about and up to more mischief next week!

DAGSy DOG with Vet Catherine Morganti

My rabbit Max has very matted fur. I brush him every day but it still comes back. What can I do?
Joanna Hotsy

I am glad you are brushing Max daily. I am sure it will help to keep the mats under control and it means you will notice if Max develops any other problems. For example, flies like to lay eggs round rabbits' tails, where it is warm and damp. Maggots grow rapidly and can cause very serious injuries in a couple of days, so it is important to spot them early.

You don't say whether Max is a long-haired rabbit – they generally need more grooming than short hairs. If he is getting matted, despite being short-haired, it may be that he is having problems grooming. This may be because he has tooth problems or a stiff back, which could be stopping him grooming himself. If you think he is having difficulties grooming, you should take him to your vet.

If you have a question for me or you want to send in a cool fact, write to: **The Funday Times, Dagsy Dog, PO Box 495, London E1 9XW**

Answer by: Catherine Morganti

The Blue Cross, one of Britain's largest animal welfare charities, has three animal hospitals, two veterinary clinics, 11 adoption centres and two equine centres nationally. Last year the charity found homes for more than 8,000 animals and treated more than 60,000 pets at its hospitals.

ILLUSTRATIONS: PAUL GEMMICK

LIFT OFF

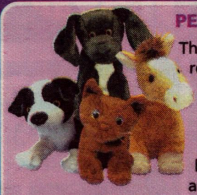
ALBUM

ELEVEN TO FLY Tin Tin Out

This is the third album from Tin Tin Out, and the "eleven" in the title refers to the number of tracks you'll find on the CD. If you bought the Emma Bunton single – don't expect the rest of this album to sound the same. No two songs are alike in this collection, and many of the tracks are much slower than What I Am. It's pleasant stuff, but you might want to listen to someone else's copy before you splash out your cash. Lindsay and Darren, the brains behind Tin Tin Out, worked on some of The Corrs big hits and you'll be able to spot some familiar touches in certain songs.

CUDDLY

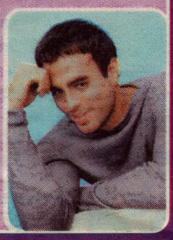
PET RESCUE PETS



This cute range of pet beanies is based on the real-life characters from the popular TV series, Pet Rescue. Each fluffy friend comes with its own tag that tells you its name and why it is in need of extra care. We were sent Skip, a three-year-old terrier, who was brought into a rescue centre after a nasty accident in which she lost one of her legs. The tag tells you that real-life Skip was depressed at having lost her leg, her owner and her home. At £4.99 each, the Pet Rescue Pets are great to collect and there's even a range of accessories too!

SINGLE

RHYTHM DIVINE Enrique Inglesias



If you liked Bailamos – you're bound to love Enrique's next single as well. Rhythm Divine is a spanking new, flamenco-soaked pop track that should be another sure-fire hit for Mr Inglesias. Enrique also appears to have learned a bit more English since his last release, although his strong accent sometimes makes it a bit tricky to work out what he's actually singing. Not that it really matters. A feast of guitars, latin rhythms and soaring backing vocals combine to create a big, tasty paella of a single!

PICTURES: RANKIN, TOM HOWARD, VALERIE PHILLIPS

FUNDAY BUZZ!

THEY'RE INVINCIBLE

Scott from Five rang us up last week, to tell us about celebrating the band's first number one single and the lads' second album, Invincible.

How did you feel when you heard you were number one?
We were in Amsterdam and actually it was a bit weird because we've waited so long for it. We were completely over the moon about the news but then we had a gig, so we had to get straight back to work.

Tell us about the new album, Invincible.
It's a bit more grown up than the last one, but it's still pop. We haven't changed our style, but of course we're two years older. There are 14 tracks on the album, all written by us.

What's your favourite line on the album?
I don't know really. But I do like Serious, when Abs raps: "Check my definition, rhyme composition, on the the double-O Five mission.

Do you mind that people laugh at the "Wiggi wiggi" line from If Ya Gettin' Down?
No, not at all. Abs wrote it when Will Smith was Gettin' Jiggy. So Abs did it as a bit of a joke. We laugh at it too.

What's your favourite track on Invincible?
I like Two Sides To Every Story because Rich and I had a great day in the studio in Norway recording it. Plus, it was Rich's birthday!

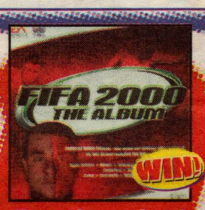
Did you all sit and listen to the album together?
Yes, we had a meeting round at Rich's house. For a minute we thought it was rubbish, but that always happens. And after we'd listened to it we realised that it was good. We all commented on it as it was playing and then we started bickering about it!

What do you do that the other lads moan about?
I make stupid noises. Really loud, stupid noises and they all get really annoyed!

If you could sing a slushy duet for Christmas, who would you most like to sing it with?
Either Mariah Carey, Celine Dion or Whitney Houston.

What was the last thing you bought?
I did buy the Savage Garden single recently. But the last thing I actually bought was a portion of chips with salt and vinegar on. I also put some ketchup on the side, because you never know when you might want some of that too!

Would you go on a date with Geri Halliwell if she asked you?
No!



Footie prize!

Tomorrow sees the release of the kicking new FIFA 2000 compilation album – and we've got 10 copies to give away – plus, two winners will also get a copy of the new FIFA 2000 PlayStation and PC game! The album features Robbie's new single, It's Only Us, as well as top tracks from Alice Deejay and Tin Tin Out.

To enter, tell us which football team Robbie supports.

Send your answer, with your name, age and address to the competition address, on page 3.

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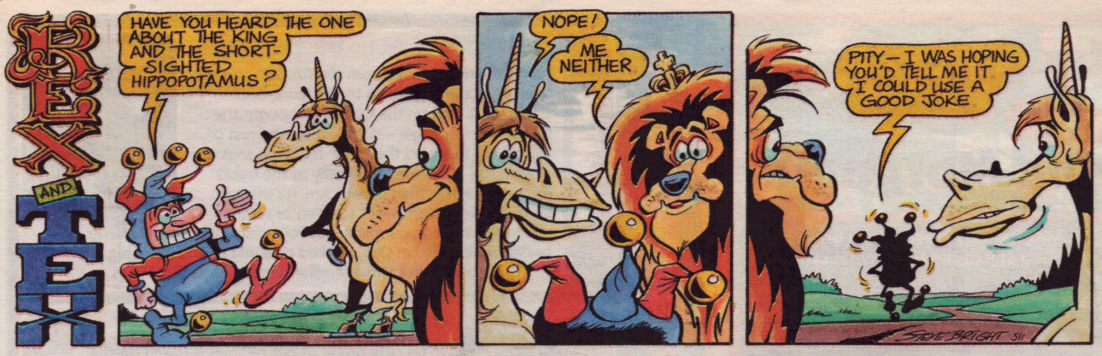

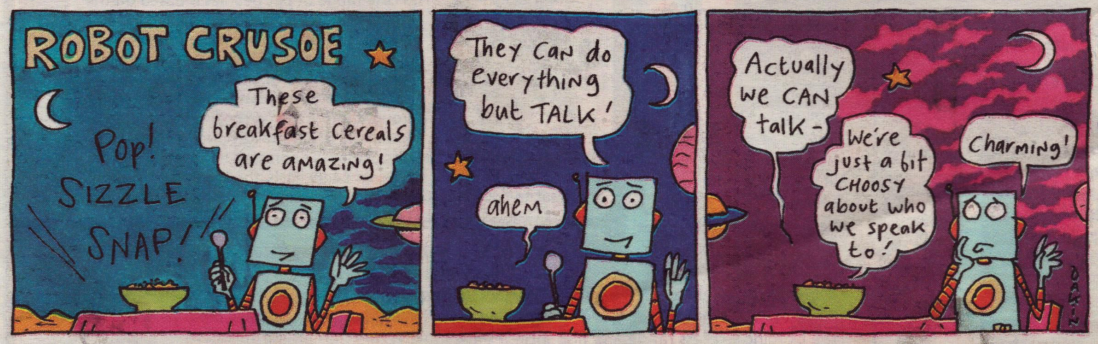

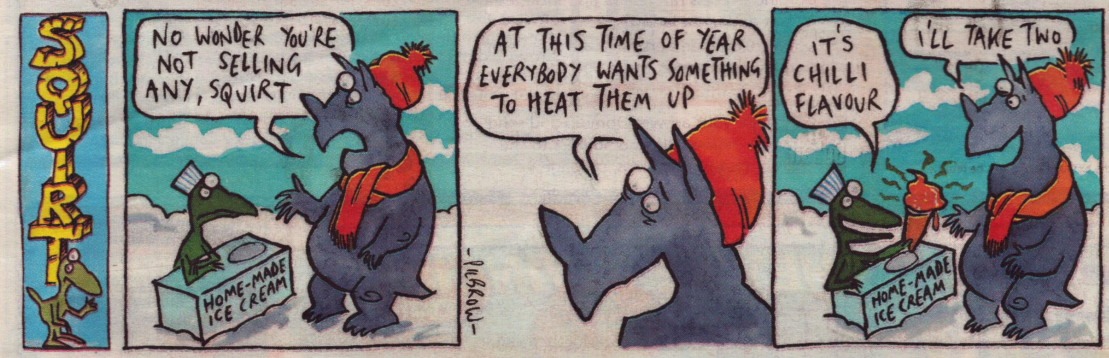

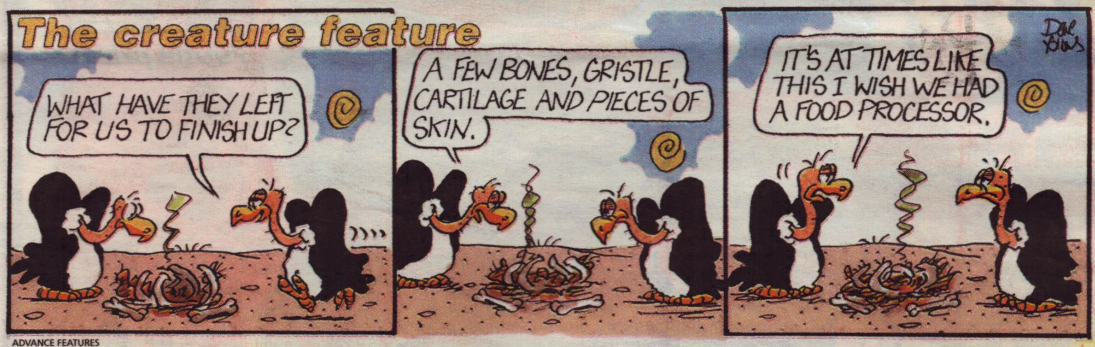

ADVANCE FEATURES

CATCH DENNIS & GNASHER ON FOX KIDS EVERY DAY AT 5PM!

NEXT WEEK in FUNDAY

PICTURE: JAMIE HUGHES

We've got all the backstage gossip from Steps' monster arena tour!

Find out how you can get involved with one of London's longest-running hit musicals

We're off on an awesome sci-fi adventure with funky author Graeme Base

The Zone

Become a member to join in the fun!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Donkey Kong wants to wish one Zoner a happy birthday for last week and two for this week! Tom Sansome from Hinckley was 13 on the 12th. Katherine Walsh from Cheam is eight today and Azhar Ali from Rochdale will be 14 on Wednesday. Party on Zoners!

Tom Sansome

Katherine Walsh

If you'd like to be wished a happy birthday in The FC Zone (or if you would like to send a happy birthday message to a Fun Club member) send in a passport-size photo* to The FC Zone address and you might appear in The Funday Times. If you're a member already send one in, with your name, address, date of birth and membership number.

Azhar Ali

*Photos must be received 4-6 weeks before the birthday and cannot be returned.

CHAIN REACTION

It's a chain reaction of surprising stunts and non-stop action. Yes, it's the one and only Domino Express from Goliath Games.

There's no need to bother wasting time lining up all the dominoes, as Domino Express Power Dealer automatically sets up your Dominoes in no time at all.

Check out the three exciting versions! Loop the Loop, Tumbling Tower and the Ultimate Sky Stunt Spectacular, which contain over 200 domino pieces, plus all the exciting stunt equipment from the Domino Express range and also includes a Sky Rocket and giant launch pad.

This week 20 FC members have the chance of winning an Ultimate Sky Stunt Spectacular.

To enter, name a famous UK rollercoaster.

Goliath

Mark your answer Domino and send your name, age and address to the competition address, on page 3

MONSTROUS!

It's a monster hit! It's a TV phenomenon in America and Japan! It's a hugely successful video game on Sony PlayStation! It's also a new, unmissable addition to the Fox Kids programme line-up. It's Monster Rancher!

So join hero Genki and his friends as they fight to rid the world of unwanted monsters.

FOX KIDS

Watch Monster Rancher daily at 3.30pm plus weekdays at 7.00am and weekends at 9.30am!

FC FUN

You can e-mail us at: funday.times@sunday-times.co.uk or write to us. Send a picture, funny photo or story to: The FC Zone, PO Box 5073, Leighton Buzzard LU7 7GX. Everyone who appears in the FC Zone will get either this cool Power Rangers in Space Galactic Rover or a Betty Spaghetty from Bandai. You can mix and match Betty and her friends to create zillions of trendy outfits, while the Power Rangers in Space Futuristic Deluxe Rover is out of this world!

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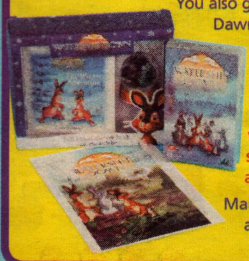
WHAT A BEAUTY!

A feature-length Christmas episode of CITV's hit series Watership Down has just been released on video (£12.99, Certificate U). With 10 minutes of exclusive behind-the-scenes footage – showing the making of this new, animated classic – it's an absolute must!

Friendship, survival and adventure intermingle as heavy snow and sparse food supplies look set to doom festivities. You also get to hear the voices of Dawn French, Jane Horrocks and the fab Stephen Gately.



The first 15 to join The Fun Club this week will each get a video, book, snow shaker and novel set.

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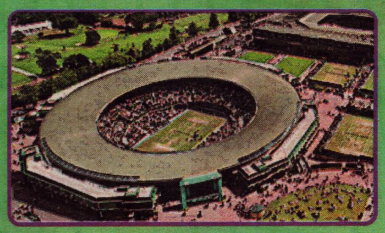
Totally tennis

The National Tennis Championship starts in Telford this week and the hunt goes on to find the next group of players to follow in the footsteps of Tim Henman and Greg Rusedski on the world stage. Until the dynamic duo came along, British tennis players hadn't won any trophies for years. But the sport itself was still one of the most popular in the country, because it is exciting to watch as well as fun to play. Here's our guide to the world of aces, deuces and grand slams.

- Tennis, in various forms, has been played for centuries. Henry VIII played a game called real tennis at Hampton Court Palace, and that game is still played today
- Rules for the modern version of tennis were drawn up in 1873 by Major Walter Wingfield. The first world championship was held in 1877 – at Wimbledon
- Tennis took off in America in 1874 and a national championship started seven years later. A women's tournament began in 1877
- Although today's tennis players are among the world's richest sports people, the game has only been professional for 30 years. Before then, the stars were unpaid amateurs
- Wimbledon is still the world's most prestigious tournament. The other majors are: the US Open, the French Open and the Australian Open. Since 1988, tennis has also featured at the Olympic Games



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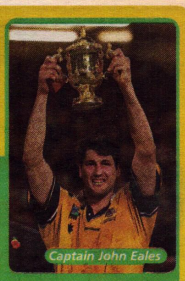

Captain John Eales

Southern hemisphere glory

Australia are rugby's new champions after they won the World Cup Final against France. The Wallabies proved to a capacity crowd in Cardiff that they are the best team in the sport with a display that was full of determination, skill and power. To cap a great tournament for the Australians, who first won the trophy in 1991, star centre Tim Horan was named as the player of the tournament.

What a champ!

America's Tiger Woods won the mighty £600,000 first prize for his victory over Spaniard Miguel Angel Jimenez in the American Express Championship at Spain's Valderrama course. Both players have had a great year – but it was the young superstar who coped with the pressure better and won in a play-off .

Tough battle

Arsenal stars Freddie Ljungberg and Martin Keown were both sent off as their team lost their north London derby match against Tottenham Hotspur at White Hart Lane. The match, between two of the fiercest rivals in football, was a tense contest but Spurs won 2-1. Even though they ended the game with only nine players on the pitch, Arsenal were still unlucky not to score an equaliser after missing lots of good chances.

PICTURES: EPA, AP/ADAM BUTLER

JUMP AROUND!

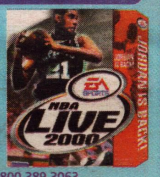
Want to be the envy of all your friends this Christmas? Fancy something more exciting than a kick-around in the park on Boxing Day? Well, you could be slam dunkin' in your own front garden!

To celebrate the recent start of the NBA season, we've got a fab Huffy Double Down Backboard to give away. This great portable system folds away in just two minutes and has adjustable basket height. Five runners-up will win a copy of the new NBA Live 2000 video game for PC in which you can go one-on-one with Michael Jordan!

To enter, tell us when the new NBA season started.

Mark your answer NBA and send your name, age and address to the competition address, on page 3

Tune into ITV2 for NBA Jam (Tuesdays 1.30pm and Saturdays 9.25am) and NBA Action (Wednesdays 7pm). Full match coverage will be shown on ITV2 at 7pm Tuesdays and Thursdays.



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